the steps taken aim at generating awareness among the beneficiaries, setting up of organisation of IRDP beneficiaries, setting up of the Vigilance Cell at the State Headquarters, and Grievances Cells at the District Headquarters, and Grievances Cells Qualitative Monitoring of the IRDP at the District or block level, exemplary punishment to IRDP beneficiaries for mis-utilisation of funds, insurance of livestocks provided under the programme and Audit and Inspection, etc.

News-item captioned 'Alarming rise in drug smuggling'

333. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item captioned "Alarming rise in drug smuggling" as reported in the *Hindustan Times* dated the 1st May, 1989;

(b) whether the smuggling activities across Indo-Burma border covering Arunchal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Mizoram have been rapidly increasing;

(c) whether Government have since taken any steps to prevent smuggling of drugs across Indo-Burma border; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) While it cannot be denied that the North-Eastern States are vulnerable to drug trafficking from across Indo-Burma border in view of their proxmity to Burma, the figures of seizures of various drugs effected from 1986 onwards do not indicate that the smuggling activities in these states are rapidly increasing.

Drug	1986	1987 (in kgs.)	1988	1989 (upto June)
1. Opium	501	637	21	70
2. Ganja	2660	2582	1525	28
3. Heroin	4	3	6	7

(Figures provisional and rounded off to the nearest kilogram).

(c) and (d) Government have launched various aggressive countermeasures which, *inter alia*, include provision of deterrent punishment to drug-traffickers, strengthening of preventive and intelligence machinery (especially around borders and vulnerable areas), adoption of a liberalised reward scheme for officers and informers, strengthening of bilateral co-operation between neighbouring countries (including regional co-operation under the aegis of SAARC). The Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 provides for preventive detention up to a maximum period of two years for drug-related crimes. 343 persons have so far been detained under the said Act.

For the purpose of preventive detention for the maximum period provided under the Act, the inland area 100 kms. in width from the

Indo-Burma border in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram and Nagaland have been defined as areas 'highly vulnerable to illicit traffic'. Further, the Police Officers of the North-Eastern States have been entrusted the functions of Customs Officers under the Customs Act, 1962 for the purpose of the provisions of Chapter IV B of that Act to check illicit movement and outward smuggling of acetic anhydride (a chemical precursor used in the illicit manufacture of heroin) which has been notified as a 'specified item' under section 11-I of the Customs Act, 1962.

The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Amendment) Act, 1988, *inter alia*, provides for death penalty on second conviction in respect of specified offences involving specified quantities of certain drugs and also forfeiture of property of drugs offenders. Besides, all drug-related offences have been made cognizable and non-bailable.

IPS officers working in Delhi Police

334. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of IPS officers working in Delhi Police at present;

(b) what are the details of the officers who have been working at their present posts for more than three years;

(c) what is the number of those officers against whom adverse entries have been made in their Character Rolls during above period;

(d) whether it is a fact that in spite of these adverse entries, promotions have been given to them; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) 48.

(b) Total 5.

Shri Kartar Singh, Addl. C.P.

Shri U.K. Katna, DCP (Central Dt.)

Shri A.K. Kanth, DCP (Crime & Railways)

Shri B.S. Brar, DCP (Licensing)

Shri Deep Chand, DCP (SB-II)

(c) Nil.

(d) and (e) The question does not arise.

Activities of anti-national elements in Jammu and Kashmir

335. SHRI M.A. BABY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there were a large number of anti-national elements active in Jammu and Kashmir during the months of May and June;

(b) whether Pakistani elements were also very active in the State during these two months;

(c) whether it is a fact that a number of tourists were harassed by the authorities with the result that very few tourists went to that State during these two months; and

(d) what steps have been taken and what assistance provided by the Centre to the State Government to check these anti-national elements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES